

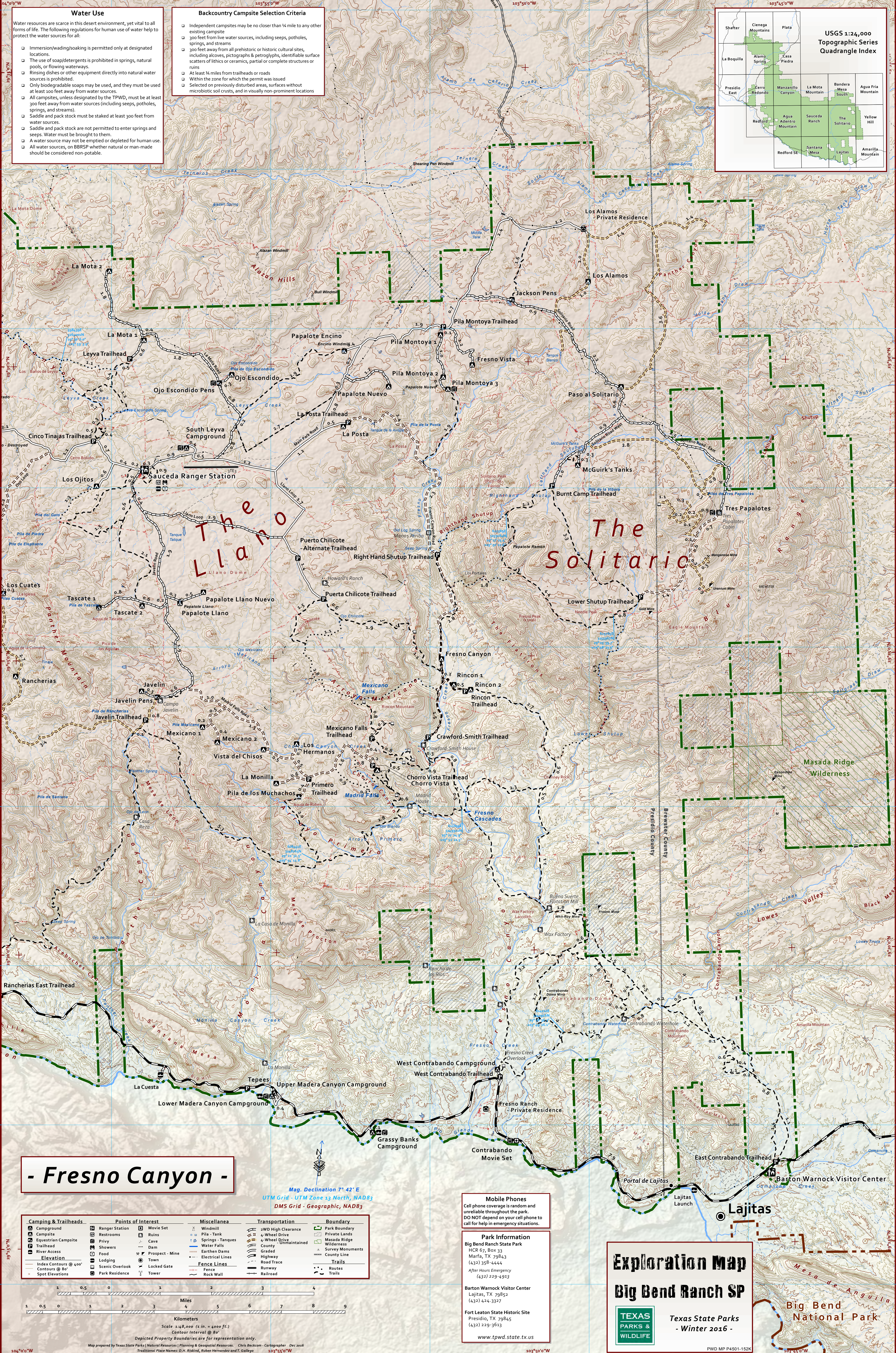
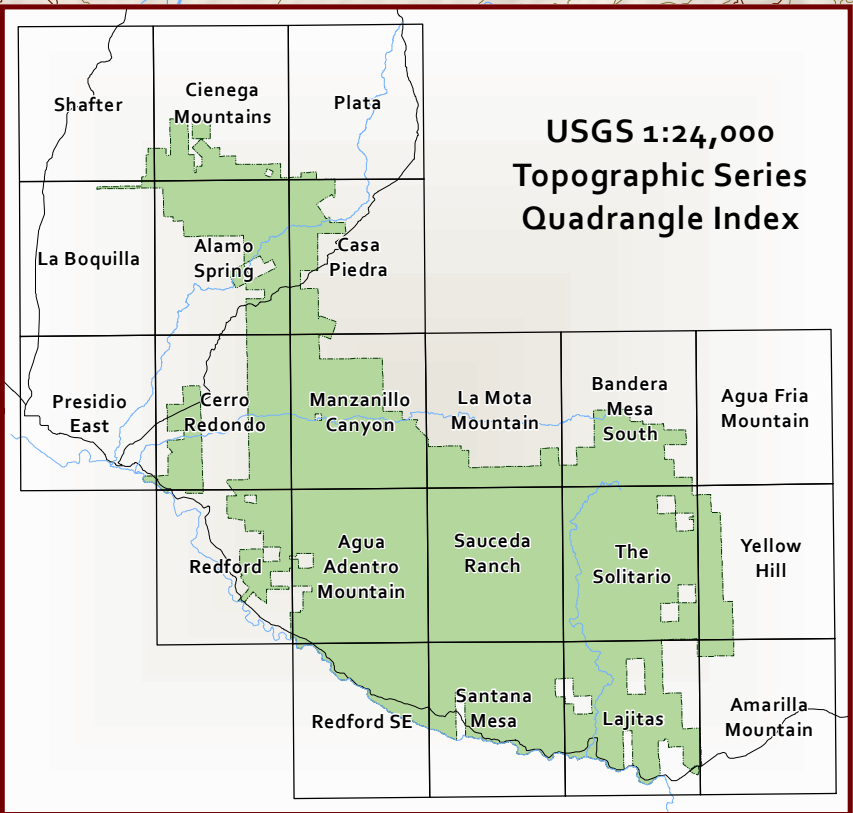
Water Use

Water resources are scarce in this desert environment, yet vital to all forms of life. The following regulations for human use of water help to protect the water sources for all:

- Immersion/wading/soaking is permitted only at designated locations.
- The use of soap/detergents is prohibited in springs, natural pools, or flowing waterways.
- Rinsing dishes or other equipment directly into natural water sources is prohibited.
- Only biodegradable soaps may be used, and they must be used at least 100 feet away from water sources.
- All campsites, unless designated by the TPWD, must be at least 300 feet away from water sources (including seeps, potholes, springs, and streams).
- Saddle and pack stock must be staked at least 300 feet from water sources.
- Saddle and pack stock are not permitted to enter springs and seeps. Water must be brought to them.
- A water source may not be emptied or depleted for human use.
- All water sources, on BBRSP whether natural or man-made should be considered non-potable.

Backcountry Campsite Selection Criteria

- Independent campsites may be no closer than 1/4 mile to any other existing campsite
- 300 feet from live water sources, including seeps, potholes, springs, and streams
- 300 feet away from all prehistoric or historic cultural sites, including alcoves, pictographs & petroglyphs, identifiable surface scatters of lithics or ceramics, partial or complete structures or ruins
- At least 1/4 miles from trailheads or roads
- Within the zone for which the permit was issued
- Selected on previously disturbed areas, surfaces without microbiotic soil crusts, and in visually non-prominent locations



- Fresno Canyon -

Camping & Trailheads	Points of Interest	Miscellaneous	Transportation	Boundary
Campground	Ranger Station	Movie Set	2WD High Clearance	Park Boundary
Campsite	Restrooms	Pila - Tank	4-Wheel Drive	Private Lands
Equestrian Campsite	Privy	Springs - Tanques	Unmaintained	Masada Ridge Wilderness
Trailhead	Showers	Cave	County Graded	Survey Monuments
River Access	Food	Dam	Highway	County Line
Elevation	Lodging	Prospect - Mine	Road Trace	Trails
Contours @ 400'	Scenic Overlook	Town	Runway	Routes
Contours @ 80'	Park Residence	Locked Gate	Railroad	Trails
Spot Elevations	Tower	Fence		
		Rock Wall		

Mobile Phones
Cell phone coverage is random and unreliable throughout the park. DO NOT depend on your cell phone to call for help in emergency situations.

Park Information
Big Bend Ranch State Park
HCR 67, Box 33
Marfa, TX 79843
(432) 358-4444
After Hours Emergency
(432) 229-4943

Barton Warnock Visitor Center
Lajitas, TX 79852
(432) 424-3327
Fort Leaton State Historic Site
Presidio, TX 79845
(432) 229-3613
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Exploration Map

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